

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A roof rack assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having an interior portion, said roof rack assembly comprising:

a frame member extending along the roof, said frame member having an outboard surface defining a housing; and

an electronic component at least partially housed within said housing of said frame member for receiving and transmitting signals to the interior portion of the motor vehicle.

2. (Original) A roof rack assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said electronic component is a radio frequency receiver module.

3. (Original) A roof rack assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said electronic component is a radar sensor.

4. (Currently amended) A roof rack assembly ~~as set forth in claim 1 wherein~~ for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having an interior portion, said roof rack assembly comprising:
~~said electronic component is a camera for creating a digitized signal of a space disposed adjacent the motor vehicle~~

a frame member extending along the roof; and
a camera at least partially housed within said frame member to receive and create a
digitized signal of a space disposed adjacent the motor vehicle and transmit said digitized
signal to the interior portion of the motor vehicle.

5. (Withdrawn) A roof rack assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having a plurality of electronic components, said roof rack assembly comprising:

a frame member mounted to the roof, said frame member having an outboard surface;
and

a solar panel secured to said outboard surface within for receiving solar energy and converting the solar energy into an electric current.

6. (Withdrawn) A roof rack assembly as set forth in claim 5 wherein said outer surface extends through a plane.

7. (Withdrawn) A roof rack assembly as set forth in claim 6 wherein said solar panel extends through said plane.

8. (Withdrawn) A roof rack assembly as set forth in claim 7 wherein said plane is curve.

9. (Withdrawn) A roof rack assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle, said roof rack assembly comprising:

a frame member extending along the roof; and

a camera secured to said frame member for creating a digitized signal of a space disposed adjacent the motor vehicle.